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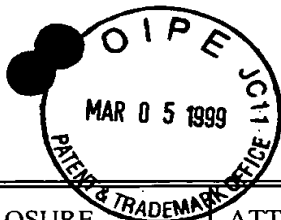
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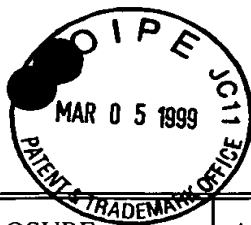
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	3,848,962	11-19-74	Nelson	350	86	10-18-73	
	4,210,384	7-1-80	Meyer et al.	350	19	5-17-79	
	4,303,866	12-1-81	Porro et al.	250	442	5-29-80	
	4,436,385	3-13-84	Fischer et al.	350	529	7-24-81	
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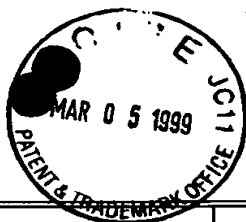
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	4,614,431	9-30-86	Komeyama	356	401	2-16-84	
	4,627,009	12-2-86	Holmes et al.	364	559	5-24-83	
	4,673,261	1-16-87	Hunt et al.	350	531	5-16-85	
	4,702,565	10-27-87	Schilling et al.	350	531	2-26-86	
	4,731,530	3-15-88	Mikan	250	229	4-21-86	
	4,807,984	2-28-89	Kurimura et al.	350	529	2-12-87	
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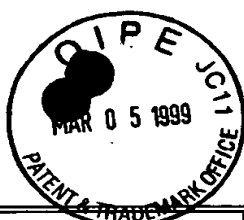
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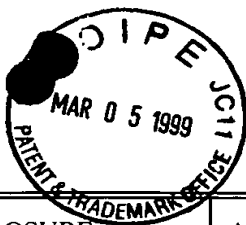
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	5,412,503	5-2-95	Nederlof	359	393	8-23-93	
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	5,455,420	10-3-95	Ho et al.	250	306	7-12-94	
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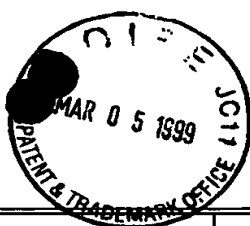
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